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SUBJECT: VISAS FOR PERSONNEL FOR CONGENS

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1. IN LIGHT OF CONTINUED SOVIET INTRANSIGENCEANCE IN AYER VISA CASE, WE CONCUR THAT DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY SHOULD SUSPEND ISSANCE OF VISAS TO SOVIET TDY PERSONNEL ASSIGNED SAN FRANCISCO UNTIL AYER CASE IS RESOLVED OR QUESTION OF VISAS FOR PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TDY TO RE-SPECTIVE CONGENS IS CLARIFIED. EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE CLEAR TO MFA THAT WE CONSIDER SOVIET SIDE IS WIDENING PERIMETER OF STAFFING NUMBERS QUESTION BY LINKING VISA CASE OF AN OFFICER ASSIGNED TDY TO CASES OF OFFICERS MFA WISHES TO SEND AS PERMANENTLY ASSIGNED PERSONNEL, BUT WHOSE ASSIGNMENT TO SOVCONGEN WOULD RAISE SOVCONGEN STAFFING ABOVE CEILING IMPROSED BY TARGET RATIO.

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2. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO POINT OUT TO MFA THAT SOVCONGEN

SUBMITTED JULY 24 TRAVEL NOTE INDICATING CONSUL V. A. KULESHOV HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED TO SOVEMBASSY; FROM WHENCE HE WILL GO TO NEW YORK TO ASSIST IN KEEPING AN EYE ON THE BUILDING PURCHASED FOR THE CONSULATE

GENERAL AND WILL LATER BE ASSIGNED TO THE ADVANCE PARTY. DEPARTMENT WOULD BE PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE VISA FOR KOSTETSKIY OR ANOTHER OFFICER TO FILL VACANCY CREATED BY KULESHOV'S DEPARTURE FROM SAN FRANCISCO IF MFA DESIRES. YOU SHOULD EMPHASIZE THAT WE WILL NOT, HOWEVER, AUTHORIZE VISA FOR KOSTETSKIY OR ANY OTHER OFFICER WHOSE ASSIGNMENT EXCEEDS STAFFING CEILING IN EXCHANGE FOR SOVIET ISSUANCE OF VISA TO AYER OR ANY OTHER OFFICER ASSIGNED TDY. INGERSOLL

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